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#### **Bradford District**









Games Online Day Trip/ Social Online Travel



















# Welcome to the latest edition of your events diary for Bradford Branch of the Oddfellows.

As a local branch of a national membership organisation, called The Oddfellows, we offer you a great opportunity to make new friends and enjoy a variety of activities. In addition our members are provided with a range of advice and support services when needed. We are basically a group of friends brought together through a shared interest in socialising, making friends and helping people.

This issue features details of upcoming events that we are hoping to be able to offer. All events are subject to change given the ongoing COVID situation. We have setup a new social committee to plan future events. If you would like to join the committee or If you have any ideas about events you would like to see included just email the team emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or samantha.henry@oddfellows.co.uk

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Everybody is welcome at Oddfellows events. Even if you are not a member we want to extend an invitation to you and your friends to attend any events that take your fancy. So come along and join the fun.

#### **Carlton House**

46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Meets alternate weeks. Licensed bar open.

#### **Woodbottom Social Club**

Otley Road, Baildon Bridge, Shipley BD17 7EP Meet alternate weeks. Licensed bar open.

#### Carr Lane Club

39 Carr Lane, Shipley BD18 2NQ.

#### **Various**

See description

### **Keep Fit, Gentle Exercise**





L) 11am (£) Members £5, Guests £7



Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA Exercise classes run by Steve Pugh from Positive Strength

Tuesday 11 January **Tuesday 22 February** Tuesday 18 January Tuesday 1 March Tuesday 25 January **Tuesday 8 March Tuesday 1 February Tuesday 15 March Tuesday 8 February Tuesday 22 March** Tuesday 15 February **Tuesday 29 March** 



The exercises are suitable for all ages and abilities and can be done sitting down or standing. Wear comfortable clothing. The class will be followed by a light lunch. Places are limited so booking early is essential.

Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.

### October 2021



### **Weekend Away to Scarborough**





Members £225/£245 Guests £245/£265



We are pleased to be able to arrange our autumn three night weekend away to Scarborough, staying at the Delmont Hotel. Travelling from Bradford/Shipley on Friday 1 October 2021 and returning on Monday 4 October 2021.

Delmont Hotel, Blenheim Terrace, Scarborough YO12 7HE.

This is now fully booked.





#### Art and Craft - Making **Dream Catchers**

















Come along and make a dreamcatcher for yourself or to give as a gift. These are craft kits so all materials are supplied. Followed by a lunch of soup and a roll.



Join us for an evening of poetry and verse, with local performing poet Jem. Followed by a sandwich supper. Book by Tuesday 5 October 2021. Woodbottom Social Club, Otley Road, Baildon Bridge, Shipley BD17 7EP. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



### October 2021



#### Film - 'Edie'



12.30pm (



Join us for a lunch of jacket potatoes,







Members £5 😃



Join us for a jacket potato lunch followed by some fun games. Book by Wednesday 13 October 2021. Carr Lane Club, 39 Carr Lane, Shipley BD18 2NQ. Contact Sam on 07940 025397.



followed by the film 'Edie'. Edie, who is in her 80s, feels like her life is falling apart after the death of her husband. In order to take control again she embarks on a climbing trip alone in the Scottish Highlands. Book by Friday 8 October 2021. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213.

### Let's Talk Yorkshire (Puddings)



7.30pm



(f) Members £5, Guests £7



A change to our programme here. We promised to revisit the Yorkshire Pudding meal after the change to our Yorkshire event in July. So come and enjoy a Yorkshire pudding supper with amusing anecdotes about this iconic pudding.



Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



### October 2021



### Apple Day Celebration







Members £5, Guests £7





Join us for a celebration of all things 'apple' this National Apple Day. Learn about our local community orchard and all about wassailing. Followed by a hot pork baguette supper with tasty apple dessert.

Book by Tuesday 19 October 2021. Woodbottom Social Club, Otley Road, Baildon Bridge, Shipley BD17 7EP. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.

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#### Oddies Wanderers -Oakwell Hall



10.30am (





Join us for a walk around Oakwell Hall Country Park, some of the paths are a bit uneven, so we will run a separate walk for wheelchair users alongside the main walk. We will be able to get a cuppa in the hall cafe at the end of the walk. Meet in the Manor House Car Park (the second one as you come in). Book by Friday 22 October 2021. Oakwell Hall, Manor House, Nutter Lane, Birstall, Batley WF17 9LF. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213.



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TUES 26

#### **Zoom - Guessing Game**



7.30pm



Free





Join us for a fun guessing game. Can you identify the object from the photograph? Zoom Meeting ID: 227 108 7843. Please email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk to confirm your attendance.

#### October 2021 November



#### **Lunch Club Dine** with Friends





Join your friends and enjoy a homemade three course lunch. Booking and meal choice must be made at least two days before. Book by Monday 25 October 2021. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane. Bradford BD5 0BA, Contact Sam on 07940 025397.



#### **Art and Craft - Craft** and Chat Session







Bring your own favourite crafts along for an informal crafting session with friends. Followed by a lunch of toasties and potatoes wedges. Numbers are limited so booking is essential. Book by Monday 1 November 2021. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213.



### **Halloween Special**





7.30pm (£) Members £5, Guests £7



It's nearly Halloween so come and join us for some scary fun, ghostly tales and a ghoulish supper. Fancy dress optional but there will be a prize for the best Halloween costume.

\*Please note the venue has been changed from that advertised in the spring/



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### November



### **War Time Sing Along**



7.30pm







Roll out the barrel: Sing along and toe tapping big band and swing numbers from the WWII era.

Join singer, Claire Louise at this fun sing along evening. Including a corned beef pie and vegetables supper.

Book by Tuesday 2 November 2021. Woodbottom Social Club, Otley Road, Baildon Bridge, Shipley BD17 7EP.

Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



#### Film - '1917'



) 12.30pm (

Members £9
Guests £7



Join us for a lunch of soup and a roll, followed by the film '1917'. Set in the first world war, two soldiers, assigned the task of delivering a critical message to another battalion, risk their lives for the job in order to prevent others from stepping into a deadly ambush. Book by Friday 5 November 2021. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213.



#### **Darts and Dominoes**



**7**.30pm



Members £5 Guests £7



Join us for an evening of darts and dominoes. Followed by a supper of hot beef baguettes with onion gravy. Book by Tuesday 9 November 2021. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



### November



### Committee of **Management Meeting**







Join us for our Committee of Management meeting to progress and grow our Branch. We are open to all members and would be delighted to see you. A light supper will be provided. Licensed bar open. Woodbottom Social Club, Otley Road, Baildon Bridge, Shipley BD17 7EP. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



#### Carr Lane Lunch and the film 'The Bucket list'







Join us for soup and a roll and the film 'The Bucket list'. Two terminally ill men left with only six months to live decide to explore life and make a bucket list of all the things they have never tried before. Book by Wednesday 17 November 2021. Carr Lane Club, 39 Carr Lane, Shipley BD18 2NQ. Contact Sam on 07940 025397.

### Taster Session - Keep Fit, Gentle Exercise





 $(\mathbf{f})$  Members £5, Guests £7



Steve Pugh from Positive Strength will be running 12 weeks of exercise classes in the new year. Come along to this taster session to get an idea of what he will be doing. The exercises are suitable for all ages



and abilities and can be done sitting down or standing. Wear comfortable clothing. The class will be followed by a light lunch. Places are limited so booking early is essential. Book by Friday 19 November 2021. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA, Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.

### November



### Lunch Club Dine with Friends





Members £7 Guests £10



Join your friends and enjoy a homemade three course lunch. Booking and meal choice must be made at least two days before. Book by Monday 22 November 2021. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397.



### Talk - The forgotten history of Sir Titus Salt



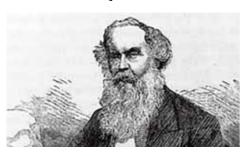
7.30pm



Members £5



We are joined by Les Brook, from the Saltaire History Group, who will tell us about the achievements of Sir Titus Salt before he built his famous mill village at Saltaire. Followed by jacket potatoes with various fillings. Book by Tuesday 23 November 2021. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



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### Oddies Wanderers -Undercliffe Cemetery



10.30am







Friends of Undercliffe Cemetery will be leading this walk around this amazing cemetery, pointing out some very impressive Victorian funerary monuments in a variety of styles. There will be a charge of £5 to cover the cost of the walk. Book by Wednesday 24 November 2021. Undercliffe Cemetery, The Lodge, 127 Undercliffe Lane, Bradford BD3 0QD. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213.

# TUES 30

### Zoom - Trip to Greenland



) 7.30pm



Free





Join Wendy from Ipswich for a short photo presentation of her trip to Greenland. Zoom Meeting ID: 227 108 7843. Please email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk to confirm your attendance.

### December



#### **Art and Craft - Board Burning Christmas Presents**







Come along and make some personalised Christmas gifts, key fobs etc. Followed by a lunch of hot soup and cakes. Numbers are limited so booking is essential. Book by Monday 29 November 2021, Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213.



#### **Casino Night**









Join us for our very own Casino Night hosted by Chris Henry, followed by a Christmas canapé supper. Book by Tuesday 30 November 2021. Woodbottom Social Club, Otley Road, Baildon Bridge, Shipley BD17 7EP. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



### Film -'The Polar Express'



12.30pm





Getting into the Christmas mood, join us for a lunch of soup, a roll and mince pies, followed by the film 'The Polar Express'. A young boy boards a train and embarks on an extraordinary iourney to the North Pole to meet Santa Claus. His life takes a turn after he encounters special people that make his journey memorable. Book by Friday 3 December 2021. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213.



### **Special Christmas Art** and Craft Session -**Truffle Making**





Members £10



This special Christmas session will see Catering Co-ordinator, Sam showing you how to make delicious truffles to treat yourself or give as a gift. Followed by a lunch of toasties and potato wedges. Numbers are limited so booking is essential. Book by Monday 6 December 2021. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213.

### December



# Bradford Christmas Party Night with Entertainer Hayley



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Members £7 Guests £10



Join us for our Globe Christmas Party with entertainment from Hayley. A Christmas buffet supper will be served during the evening. Book by Tuesday 7 December 2021. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.





### Christmas Carol Sing Along



12.30pm

£ Members £5 Guests £7



Join us for some festive fun with this sing along carol session, accompanied by Richard White and friends Ukulele players. Join in with the singing or just come along and listen. Followed by a sandwiches, stand pie with mulled wine/sherry and mince pie. Book by Friday 10 December 2021. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



#### Special Christmas Lunch Club Dine with Friends



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Members £7 Guests £10



A four course home–made Christmas lunch with all the trimmings, crackers and chocolates. There may even be a visit from Santa if he is not too busy preparing gifts for the children. Numbers are limited and priority will be given to regular lunch club attendees. Booking and meal choices must be made at least two days before. Book by Monday 13 December 2021. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397.



Shipley Christmas Party Night with Entertainer Johnny Dee



**–)** 7.30pm



Members £7



Join us for our Tree of Life Christmas party with entertainment from Johnny Dee. A Christmas buffet will be served during the evening. Book by Tuesday 14 December 2021. Woodbottom Social Club, Otley Road, Baildon Bridge, Shipley BD17 7EP. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.

### December



#### Carr Lane - Christmas **Wreath Making Demonstration**



12.30pm







#### **Zoom - Winter Solstice** Celebration









One of our members will be aiving a demonstration on Christmas Wreath Making followed



by a festive sandwich lunch. Book by Wednesday 15 December 2021. Carr Lane Club, 39 Carr Lane, Shipley BD18 2NQ. Contact Sam on 07940 025397.

It's the shortest day of the year -Winter Solstice. Pour yourself a festive tipple and come join us for a magical evening of stories/songs and interesting facts. Book by Monday 20 December 2021. Zoom Meeting ID: 227 108 7843. Please email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk to confirm your attendance.



### **Oddies Wanderers -Harlow Carr Evening Walk**



£ RHS members £12.95 Non RHS members £7.95



Following the success of our visit here two years ago, we are arranging a repeat magical festive evening walk at RHS Harlow Carr. See the amazing festive lights of the 'Glow Festival' whilst we stroll around the gardens.

Meet Emma near the main entrance. If you do not have transport let us know and we



may be able to arrange a lift. There is a charge into the grounds of £12.95 for non RHS members and £7.95 for RHS members.

Places may be limited, so please book a place as soon as possible by Thursday 16 December 2021. RHS Harlow Carr, Crag Lane, Harrogate HG3 1QB. Please contact Emma to book a place at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213.



#### **Snowman Beetle Drive**





 $(\mathbf{f})$  Members £5, Guests £7



Happy New Year. We welcome our members back with a traditional start to the new year, a fun evening of 'snowman beetle' followed by a meat and potato pie supper. Book by Tuesday 4 January

2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.





#### **Keighley Community** Cuppa, Chat and Cake



11am





Welcome to the first of our cuppa, chat and cake meet ups (cake is optional). Our aim is to meet up monthly out in the community in cafes or public houses across the Bradford District to enable more members to meet up socially and build our friendship networks. Each meet up will be hosted by one of our social coordinators. For our first one, we are going out to Keighley and will be meeting in the Wetherspoons Livery Rooms, which is very central, good for parking and close to the bus station. There is no charge to attend this event but you will need to buy yourself a drink and cake. Wetherspoons - The Livery Rooms, 89-97 North Street, Keighley, West Yorkshire BD21 3AA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397.



### Alhambra Theatre -**Sleeping Beauty**





Members £28 Guests £34



Don't miss the magic of this years wonderful pantomime 'Sleeping



Beauty'. Billy Pearce, Bradford's best-loved comic, returns to the Alhambra theatre in his 22nd pantomime, playing King Billy. Joined by TV celebrity Dr Ranj playing The Royal Doctor, overseeing medical proceedings in the Royal Household. Free tickets for junior members. Limited tickets, so book early to avoid disappointment. Book by Friday 17 December 2021. Alhambra Theatre, Morley Street, Bradford BD7 1|A. Contact Sam on 07940 025397.



#### Film -'Fisherman's Friends'



12.30pm





Carr Lane Film - 'A beautiful day in the neighbourhood'



12.30pm



Members £5



Welcome to our first film of the year, 'Fisherman's Friends'. A fast living, cynical London music executive, Danny, reluctantly heads to Cornwall where he is tricked into trying to sign up a group of shanty-singing fishermen. Hearty soup lunch provided. Book by Friday 7 January 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA, Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.

Enjoy a sandwich lunch followed by the film 'A beautiful day in the neighbourhood'. A timely story of kindness triumphing over cynicism, based on the real life friendship between Fred Rogers and Journalist Tom Junad. Book by Wednesday 12 January 2022. Carr Lane Club, 39 Carr Lane, Shipley BD18 2NQ. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213

### Fish and Chips Supper with Auction





7.30pm  $\left(\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{\pounds} \end{array}\right)$  Members £5, Guests £7



Bring your unwanted Christmas presents for an auction to raise money for the Chairman's appeal - The National Autistic Society. Followed by a fish and chips supper.

Book by Tuesday 11 January 2022. Woodbottom Social Club, Otley Road, Baildon Bridge, Shipley BD17 7EP.



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### Committee of **Management Meeting**



7.30pm





Join us for our Committee of Management Meeting to progress and grow our Branch. Followed by light supper. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or



call on 07432 047213.

#### **Dubrovnik** Friendship Meal



We had to cancel our meal at the Dubrovnik in July last year but have managed to rearrange it. This will be a three course meal with entertainment provided by singer 'Michaela'. Cost to be confirmed. Booking will be essential for this event. Previous bookings from July 2021 will be given priority. Book by Friday 7 January 2022. Dubrovnik Hotel, 3 Oak Avenue, Bradford BD8 7AQ. Contact Sam on 07940 025397.



### **Zoom - Games Galore**









Welcome back to another year of online fun. Join us for an evening of fun games (pen and paper essential and dice if you have one). Zoom Meeting ID: 227 108 7843. Please email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk to confirm your attendance.



#### **Lunch Club Dine** with Friends





£) Members £7



Join your friends and enjoy a homemade three course lunch. Booking and meal choice must be made at least two days before. Book by Monday 24 January 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA, Contact Sam on 07940 025397.





### A celebration of all things Scottish





Members £5 Guests £7



No Burns Night celebration this year so no Haggis. Instead join us for this fun quiz night of all things Scottish, followed by



some hearty Scotch Broth. Book by Tuesday 25 January 2022. Woodbottom Social Club, Otley Road, Baildon Bridge, Shipley BD17 7EP. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



#### Oddies Wanderers -Wibsey Park



–**)** 10.30am (£





Join us for a stroll around Wibsey Park. We will meet at the park entrance on Reevy Avenue. There is a lot of on street parking available. We can hopefully get a cuppa from the park cafe, if not a cup of hot chocolate or soup will be waiting for us at the end of the walk for a nominal fee. Book by Friday 28 January 2022. Wibsey Park, Reevy Avenue, Wibsey, Bradford BD6 3EQ. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213.



### **February**



### Art and Craft - Making Dragonflies





Members £10 Guests £14



Join us for the first of this years art and craft sessions. Learn how to make a beautiful dragonfly using a simple weaving wand (which you can take home with



you). Followed by jacket potato lunch. Numbers are limited so booking is essential. Book by Monday 31 January 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



### An Evening of Darts and Dominoes



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£ Members £5 Guests £7



Enjoy a fun evening competing at darts and dominoes. Could you be the new champion? Followed by a supper of southern fried chicken with wedges and home-made coleslaw. Book by Tuesday 1 February 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.

### **February**



### Cleckheaton Community Cuppa, Chat and Cake







Welcome to our community cuppa, chat and cake meet ups (cake is optional). Our aim is to meet up monthly out in the community in cafes or public houses across the Bradford District to enable more members to meet up socially and build our friendship networks.

Each meet up will be hosted by one of our social coordinators. This month we will be going out to Cleckheaton and will be meeting in the Wickham Arms



Hotel which is very central, good for parking and close to the bus station. There is no charge to attend this event but you will need to buy yourself a drink and cake.

The Wickham Arms Hotel, 15 St Peg Lane, Cleckheaton BD19 3SA. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213.



#### Film -'Finding Your Feet'



12.30pm



Members £5 Guests £7



Enjoy a lunch of soup and a roll followed by a big screen showing of the film 'Finding your feet'. When Lady Sandra Abbott discovers her husband is having an affair, she seeks refuge with her estranged bohemian sister Bif. She is at odds with her sister's free-spirited lifestyle until she is persuaded to join Bif's dance class. Here Bif and her friends show Sandra that retirement is in fact the beginning of a whole new life. Book by Friday 4 February 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.

### **February**



### The sweet history of Mackintosh







We are joined tonight by David Glover, who will be giving a talk about the origins of the Mackintosh



firm, it's early years and the remarkable Great War efforts, up to the deaths of its founders John and Violet. Followed by a beef stew supper. Book by Tuesday 8 February 2022. Woodbottom Social Club, Otley Road, Baildon Bridge, Shipley BD17 7EP. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



### Lunch Club Dine with Friends



) 12 noon



Members £7 Guests £10



Join your friends and enjoy a home-made three course lunch. Booking and meal choice must be made at least two days before. The lunch club is happening a week early this year due to catering coordinator holiday. Book by Monday 14 February 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397.



### **Carpet Bowls**



**)** 7.30pm

£ Members £5 Guests £7



Join us for an evening of carpet bowls, can you become our new champion? Followed by a corn beef hash supper. Book by Tuesday 15 February 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



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### Carr Lane Film - 'The Secret Garden'



12.30pm

Members £5 Guests £7



Join us for a cottage pie lunch followed by the film 'The Secret Garden'. Based on the 1911 novel by Frances Hodgson Burnet. It tells the story of young orphan Mary, a spoilt little girl, who is sent to live with her reclusive uncle in the Yorkshire Moors, where the ghastly aftermath of World War II is ever present. Book by Wednesday 16 February 2022. Carr Lane Club, 39 Carr Lane, Shipley BD18 2NQ. Contact Sam on 07940 025397.

### **February**



#### **Zoom - An Evening** of Verse











We enjoy a bit of poetry here in Yorkshire, so we are holding another evening of verse. Bring along poems to read or just come along and listen. No theme this time. Zoom Meeting ID: 227 108 7843. Please email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk to confirm your attendance.



### National Tortilla Chip Day: A taste of Mexico





7.30pm  $(\mathfrak{L})$  Members £5, Guests £7



Come along and sample a different kind of tapas with a variety of Mexican dishes to try this tortilla chip day. Book by Tuesday 22 February 2022. Woodbottom Social Club, Otley Road, Baildon Bridge, Shipley BD17 7EP. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.





#### **Oddies Wanderers -**St Ives Estate









Back to an old favourite St Ives Estate at Bingley. Join us for a walk around Coppice Pond followed by lunch at the cafe. Parking meters are being fitted at the estate so there will be a charge for parking. Cost to be confirmed. Book by Wednesday 23 February 2022. St Ives Estate, Harden Road, Harden, Bingley BD16 1AT. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213.



### Art and Craft - Vinyl Jar Decorating







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## Tong Community Cuppa, Chat and Cake







Join us today to learn how to do vinyl jar decorating. We had some of these made as candle holders for Carlton House and they look lovely. Session will be followed by



a sandwich lunch. Numbers are limited so booking is essential.
Book by Monday 28 February 2022.
Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.

Welcome to our community cuppa, chat and cake meet ups (cake is optional). This month we will be going out to Tong and will be meeting in the Tong Garden Centre Cafe which is good for parking. There is no charge to attend this event but you will need to buy yourself a drink and cake. Tong Garden Centre, Tong Lane, Bradford BD4 ORY. Contact Sam on 07940 025397.





### A celebration of all things Welsh



7.30pm



£ ) Members £5, Guests £7



We have missed St David's day on the 1 March but thought we would do a belated celebration of all things Welsh. Followed by a supper of St Davids leek and chicken hotpot.

Book by Tuesday 1 March 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.





#### Film - 'Strictly Ballroom'







Join us for a pie and peas lunch followed by a big screen showing of 'Strictly Ballroom'. This classic romantic comedy is about the dreams of youth and their ultimate fulfilment. Book by Friday 4 March 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



### Name that tune





(f) Members £5, Guests £7



Come and test your musical knowledge with a game of 'Name that tune'. Followed by a hot beef baguette supper. Book by Tuesday 8 March 2022. Woodbottom Social Club, Otley Road,



Baildon Bridge, Shipley BD17 7EP. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



### A celebration of all things Irish





£ ) Members £5, Guests £7



This St Patricks day join us for a celebration of all things Irish. Followed by a slow cooked Irish lamb stew, bread and butter.

Book by Tuesday 15 March 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.





#### Carr Lane Film - 'Swallows and Amazons'







Join us for soup and a roll followed by the film 'Swallows and Amazons'. A lovely adaptation of Arthur Ransome's story of the Walker children, whose summer holidays in the Lake District sees them sailing out on their own to a local island.

Book by Wednesday 16 March 2022. Carr Lane Club, 39 Carr Lane, Shipley BD18 2NQ. Contact Sam on 07940 025397.





### Committee of **Management Meeting**



7.30pm





Join us for our Committee of Management Meeting to progress and grow our Branch. Followed by light supper. Woodbottom Social Club, Otley Road, Baildon Bridge, Shipley BD17 7EP. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213.



#### **Annual Summoned** Meeting



7.30pm





**Our District Annual Summoned** Meeting will be face to face this year. Please attend to support our annual business meeting and participate in discussions which affect the running of your District Branch. Followed by a pie and peas supper. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA, Email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or sam.henry@oddfellows.co.uk to confirm your attendance.



### **Oddies Wanderers - Chellow Dene**





We return to this lovely reservoir walk at Chellow Dene, a firm favourite walk from last year. Not a particularly accessible walk because some the of the paths are





uneven and can be slippery when wet. Hopefully, we can pop to the local garden centre for a cuppa, if not we will provide hot chocolate or soup at the end of the walk for a nominal fee. Book by Friday 25 March 2022. Chellow Dean Reservoirs, Haworth Road, Bradford BD15 9AN. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213.



#### Lunch Club Dine with Friends





Members £7



Join your friends and enjoy a homemade three course lunch. Booking and meal choice must be made at least two days before. Book by Monday 28 March 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA, Contact Sam on 07940 025397.





#### An Evening of Quoits, **Connect 4 and Dominoes**







So what is Quoits? A game where a ring (of iron, rope or metal) is thrown to encircle or land near an upright peg. Come along and have a go or enjoy a game of Connect 4 or Dominoes. Followed by a tasty Chinese supper. Book by Friday 25 March 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



### **Keelham Community** Cuppa, Chat and Cake







Welcome to our community cuppa, chat and cake meet ups (cake is optional). This month we will be going out to Keelham/Thornton and will be meeting in the Asa Nicholson & Son Café which is good for parking and close to bus stops on Thornton Road. There is no charge to attend this event but you will need to buy vourself a drink and cake. Asa Nicholson & Sons Bakery and Café, Brighouse Road, Keelham, Bradford BD13 4HH. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213.





### Film - 'Whiskey Galore'







Come along and join us for a jacket potatoes lunch followed by a big screen showing of the 'Whiskey Galore' remake. When a large cargo ship gets stranded in the Outer Hebrides, a group of Scottish islanders plan to invade the vessel and steal several cases of whiskey. with hilarious consequences. Book by Friday 1 April 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



#### Art and Craft -**Easter Crafts**





Members £10 Guests £15



Today we are doing lots of Easter art and crafts. Baskets, wreaths and bonnets. Session will be followed



by a soup lunch and hot cross buns. Numbers are limited so booking is essential. Book by Monday 4 April 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



### **An Evening of Skittles**









Come along and 'knock them down', it could be your lucky night. Followed by corn beef pie and peas supper. Book by Tuesday 5 April 2022. Woodbottom Social Club, Otley Road, Baildon Bridge, Shipley BD17 7EP. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



### **Carr Lane - Easter Special**





12.30pm (£) Members £5, Guests £7



This event has been brought forward a week because of Easter. Join us for some Easter activities with a beef stew dinner. Book by Tuesday 5 April 2022. Carr Lane Club. 39 Carr Lane. Shipley BD18 2NQ. Contact Sam on 07940 025397.





### **Easter Quiz with Easter Bonnet Competition**





 $\Gamma$  7.30pm  $\Gamma$  Members £5, Guests £7



Join us for a fun filled Easter celebration with a quiz and Easter bonnet competition (you do not have to wear a bonnet!). Followed by a seasonal buffet. Book by Tuesday 12 April 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.





### St George's Day Celebration



Members £5
Guests £7



An early St Georges Day Celebration with quizzes and games. Followed by Giant Yorkshire Pudding Sunday lunch.



Book by Tuesday 19 April 2022. Woodbottom Social Club, Otley Road, Baildon Bridge, Shipley BD17 7EP.

Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



### Zoom - The truth about George and the Dragon



7.30pm



Online



Come and find out the true history of the iconic figure of St George. Book by Monday 25 April 2022. Zoom Meeting ID: 227 108 7843. Please email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk to confirm your attendance.

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### Lunch Club Dine with Friends





Members £7 Guests £10



Join your friends and enjoy a homemade three course lunch. Booking and meal choice must be made at least two days before. Book by Monday 25 April 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397.

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### Bingo with a difference









Join us for something a bit different, musical bingo where bingo cards have names of songs and you need to listen for your tune to cross it off and Zingo bingo played with cards. Followed by a fish pie supper. Book by Tuesday 26 April 2022. Carlton House, 46 Little Horton Lane, Bradford BD5 0BA. Contact Sam on 07940 025397 or Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



Oddies Wanderers
- Lister Park,
Manningham



L)<sub>10.30am</sub>





Join us for a leisurely walk around Lister Park, the spring flowers will hopefully be in full bloom. Followed



by a cuppa in one of the park cafes. Meet at the top entrance notice board behind the hall, where the parking entrance is. Book by Wednesday 27 April 2022. Lister (Manningham) Park & Cartwright Hall, North Park Road, Bradford BD9 4NS. Please contact Emma at emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or call on 07432 047213.



# Future Events Lytham St Anne's Weekend Away Friday 13 May 2022

We have provisionally booked the Monterey Beach Hotel at Lytham St Ann's for Friday 13 May 2022. If you would like to book a place or receive further information contact Emma 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.



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•	Wed 6	Art and Craft - Making Dream Catchers	11am	
•	Thurs 7	An Evening with Jem	7.30pm	
•	Mon 11	Film - 'Edie'	12.30pm	
•	Thurs 14	Let's Talk Yorkshire (Puddings)	7.30pm	
•	Fri 15	Carr Lane Lunch and Games	12.30pm	
•	Thurs 21	Apple Day Celebration	7.30pm	
•	Mon 25	Oddies Wanderers - Oakwell Hall	10.30am	
•	Tues 26	Zoom - Guessing Game	7.30pm	
•	Wed 27	Lunch Club Dine with Friends	12 noon	
•	Thurs 28	Halloween Special	7.30pm	
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•	Wed 3	Art and Craft - Craft and Chat Session	11am	
•	Thurs 4	War Time Sing Along	7.30pm	
•	Mon 8	Film - '1917'	12.30pm	
•	Thurs 11	Darts and Dominoes	7.30pm	
•	Thurs 18	Committee of Management Meeting	7.30pm	
•	Fri 19	Carr Lane Lunch and the film 'The Bucket list'	12.30pm	
•	Tues 23	Taster Session - Keep Fit, Gentle Exercise	11am	
•	Wed 24	Lunch Club Dine with Friends	12 noon	
•	Thurs 25	Talk - The forgotten history of Sir Titus Salt	7.30pm	
•	Fri 26	Oddies Wanderers - Undercliffe Cemetery	10.30am	
•	Tues 30	Zoom - Trip to Greenland	7.30pm	
December				
•	Wed 1	Art and Craft - Board Burning Christmas Presents	11am	
•	Thurs 2	Casino Night	7.30pm	
•	Mon 6	Film - 'The Polar Express'	12.30pm	
•	Wed 8	Special Christmas Art and Craft Session - Truffle Making	11am	
•	Thurs 9	Bradford Christmas Party Night with Entertainer Hayley	7.30pm	
•	Mon 13	Christmas Carol Sing Along	12.30pm	
•	Wed 15	Special Christmas Lunch Club Dine with Friends	12 noon	
•	Thurs 16	Shipley Christmas Party Night with Entertainer Johnny Dee	7.30pm	
•	Fri 17	Carr Lane - Christmas Wreath Making Demonstration	12.30pm	

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•	Tues 21	Zoom - Winter Solstice Celebration	7.30pm
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•	Thurs 6	Snowman Beetle Drive	7.30pm
•	Fri 7	Keighley Community Cuppa, Chat and Cake	11am
•	Fri 7	Alhambra Theatre - Sleeping Beauty	7.15pm
•	Mon 10	Film - 'Fisherman's Friends'	12.30pm
•	Tues 11	Session 1 - Keep Fit, Gentle Exercise	11am
•	Thurs 13	Fish and Chips Supper with Auction	7.30pm
•	Fri 14	Carr Lane Film - 'A beautiful day in the neighbourhood'	12.30pm
•	Tues 18	Session 2 - Keep Fit, Gentle Exercise	11am
•	Thurs 20	Committee of Management Meeting	7.30pm
•	Sun 23	Dubrovnik Friendship Meal	12.30pm
•	Tues 25	Session 3 - Keep Fit, Gentle Exercise	11am
•	Tues 25	Zoom - Games Galore	7.30pm
•	Wed 26	Lunch Club Dine with Friends	12 noon
•	Thurs 27	A celebration of all things Scottish	7.30pm
•	Mon 31	Oddies Wanderers - Wibsey Park	10.30am
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•	Tues 1	Session 4 - Keep Fit, Gentle Exercise	11am
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•	Thurs 3	A celebration of all things Welsh	7.30pm
•	Fri 4	Tong Community Cuppa, Chat and Cake	11am
•	Mon 7	Film - 'Strictly Ballroom'	12.30pm
•	Tues 8	Session 9 - Keep Fit, Gentle Exercise	11am
•	Thurs 10	Name that tune	7.30pm
•	Tues 15	Session 10 - Keep Fit, Gentle Exercise	11am
•	Thurs 17	A celebration of all things Irish	7.30pm
•	Fri 18	Carr Lane Film - 'Swallows and Amazons'	12.30pm
•	Tues 22	Session 11 - Keep Fit, Gentle Exercise	11am
•	Thurs 24	Committee of Management Meeting	7.30pm
•	Fri 25	Annual Summoned Meeting	7.30pm
•	Mon 28	Oddies Wanderers - Chellow Dene	10.30am
•	Tues 29	Session 12 - Keep Fit, Gentle Exercise	11am
•	Wed 30	Lunch Club Dine with Friends	12 noon
•	Thurs 31	An Evening of Quoits, Connect 4 and Dominoes	7.30pm
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Oddies Wanderers - Lister Park, Manningham

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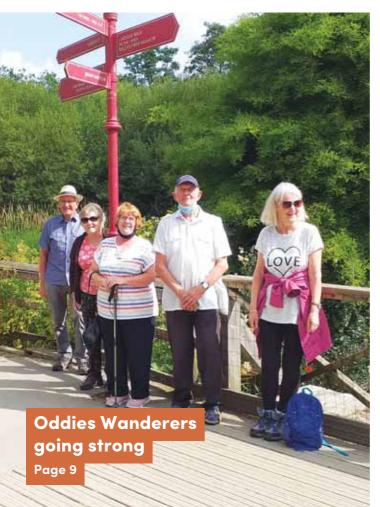
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### Welcome to the latest edition of the Bradford District News and Reviews

As we have moved out of lockdown our new team Lisa Waugh, Emma Marshall and Sam Henry have been busy getting things up and running again. A reminder that they are all part time workers so if you email or leave voicemail there may be a delay before they can get back to you, but they will respond as soon as possible.

We are trying to update our database and have become aware that some of the details are no longer correct. If you have changed your address, email or contact number in the past 18 months please let Lisa know so that she can update our records. Thank you.

We have had some input from members for this newsletter and it would be very nice to receive more items for the next newsletter from our members. Deadline for articles for the spring newsletter is Friday 14 January 2022. Please email or post anything you wish to be included to Emma Marshall – details opposite.

It has been lovely to see some old friends as we have started up events and to welcome some new members.

Lisa, Emma and Sam

### **Contact Details**

For more information about membership and the wider range of benefits available please contact.

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# Message from our Provincial Grand Master (Chairman)

#### A warm welcome to all our Bradford Oddfellows members.

It's lovely to see some of you being able to join in events again and we hope to see more of you being able to join us soon. I hope you have all stayed safe and well during this difficult time and will continue to do so. Well done to everyone working on your behalf to keep the office going, get events sorted and running them and to all those keeping in touch with our members to let them know we are still here for them. Also to all our Trustees and Committee members who have been able to join in the meetings.

### Half Yearly Annual Summoned Meeting

Our Half Yearly Annual
Summoned meeting will be taking
place on Thursday 30 September
at 7.30pm (preceded by our
Committee of Management
meeting at 6.15pm). Come along
and join us at Carlton House,
followed by a free pie and pea
supper. A reminder for people
to contact Branch Secretary
Lisa Waugh by email
lisa.waugh@oddfellows.co.uk or
leave voicemail on 07983 496831
to confirm your attendance. We
look forward to seeing you.

Since restarting our events this year we have managed to raise nearly £300 for my charity 'The National Autistic Society', through raffles, donations and selling pickles made by Sam our Catering Coordinator and seeds donated by member Lynne Wilde.

Yours in Friendship

Sue Jones (Provincial Grand Master)

#### **New Social Event Plans**

Thanks to all of our members who completed the survey that we sent out last year. We have used your ideas to inform future developments for our social events. In the autumn events diary we are introducing new exercise classes and monthly coffee mornings out in the community.

We are exploring how we can organise day trips out in the future and are looking for a potential dance teacher to run classes. We have now established a social committee to help us to plan future events, thanks to members who have been involved in this. If you would like to be involved in future planning please contact emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk

### **Members Pages**

When I retired last year after 21 years working with Early Years children I wanted to find a like-minded group of people who loved walking and being outdoors. Bradford Oddfellows is the friendliest group of people. I have been on some wonderful walks with Oddies Wanderers and been to social events and met some great people. I love the freedom that retirement has given me. Look us up you'll have lots of fun!

Jane Cockitt



Jane stepping out with the Oddies Wanderers at Judy Woods

### **Poetry Corner**

Pat Batt was a lady member of the London Branch of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society. The following is one of her many poems which Illustrates the perils of Scottish Country Dancing. Eric Wallace

#### Injuries

I pulled a muscle last night in class, I've a great big bandage to prove it.

It's not too bad if I keep it still
But it gives me hell when I move it.

It's rather lucky my twisted knee

Is almost entirely well,
But I'll have to look after the ankle
That has recently started to swell.

My instep is nearly better,
And the pain in my toe's getting less,
But the ligaments round the

back of my heel

Are rather a nasty mess.
I had a few days of concussion,

An error in 'Postie's Jig' It was only a hair-line fracture
But the bump was uncommonly big.
My shoulder has never
been quite the same
Since my partner got out of hand
And twizzled me wildly
in Hamilton Rant
And I ended up in the band!
Oh, it's lovely to do Scottish Dancing,
But to my eternal sorrow
I've decided it's just too rough for me
So I'm taking up Rugby tomorrow.

Pat Batt

# Support through difficult times

Bradford Oddfellows have really been there for me during the pandemic. It has been an absolute nightmare, I have not had much contact and have felt very isolated. But the Bradford Oddfellows team have kept in touch with phone calls, letters and quiz books. Having events happening again has been brilliant and it is so lovely to be out again seeing friends.

The Oddfellows events are one of the few things (besides shopping) that gets me out of the house. I feel very safe attending the events, the social coordinators have done a brilliant job organising everything to ensure we can meet. I can see that they have gone above and beyond to make sure that we are safe and it is much appreciated. It is reassuring to know that even in the difficult times the Oddfellows are very much there for me.

**Doreen Clayton** 

# Request for information

Having recently researched my family tree I have discovered my granddad JOHN WILLIAM THOMAS used to be the caretaker at the Oddfellows Hall, Rawson Square, Bradford, though I'm not sure of the year. Most likely in the 1940/50s perhaps but that's a guess.

I never knew him and my parents and aunts and uncles have all died so I have no one to ask. I wonder if any of your members remember him and can confirm the dates or maybe even a photo or two they could share?

Many thanks for reading this!

#### **Mary Hodges**

Any information for Mary can be sent to the Branch and we will pass it on.

### **COVID Pass Letter**

If you are travelling or attending a large event you will require a COVID Pass Letter. Jean Campbell shared this information about applying for one on line.

Google 'Double vaccinated travel letter' and look for COVID Pass Letter link. Or go directly to https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/covid-pass/get-your-covid-pass-letter/

You just need your name, postcode, date of birth and NHS number if you have it (but you can apply without it). It



apply without it). It is a simple process and you can get your letter via post or email.

# **Volunteering Opportunities**

There are several ways that you can help Bradford Oddfellows as a volunteer and we are always keen to encourage members to get involved.

- Helping to prepare, serve food and help in the kitchen (this needs to be agreed with Sam - Catering Social organiser - and volunteers need to have a current Food Hygiene Certificate and Food Allergy certificate and we can help with this. It is quite interesting and not too onerous.
- Front of house/greeting and signing in members
- Photographer at events

- Collecting payments
- Selling raffle/bingo tickets
- Committee of Management Member
- Trustee
- · Running the bar
- Clearing up after events

To find out more contact Emma on 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk



## **MIND** in Bradford



MIND in Bradford is a local mental health charity providing support for Bradford, Airedale, Wharfedale and Craven. We run wellbeing groups, offer befriending services and support people in crisis among many other things! I'm Lydia, Fundraising & Development Officer, and hopefully I'll be coming to speak at Bradford Oddfellows next year. In the meantime, please get in touch if you'd be interested in any volunteering - we have opportunities to suit all personalities and skill sets!

Lydia Gray
Fundraising & Development Officer

### The Business Side

We rely on our members volunteering their time to help us to progress and grow our Branch.

Our Committee of Management meets once every two months on a Thursday evening, alternating between Carlton House and Woodbottom Social Club. All members are welcome to attend any of these meetings. You just need to let Lisa know that you are attending. We also have four trustees: Jo Baxter, Bob Campbell, Jean Campbell and Sue Jones who meet every two months to advise on the overall running of the Branch and the properties that we own.

# Thank you for the volunteering opportunity

I started volunteering at Bradford Oddfellows, just before Covid struck. I have always been made to feel very welcome. Because I had the opportunity to volunteer I gained a wealth of confidence and experience in an environment where I always felt comfortable.

I applied for a job in retail and with the experience and confidence and the excellent reference that Oddfellows gave me, I actually did get the job. Thank you to Bradford Oddfellows for the opportunity and I will be back to see you soon.

Lucia Booth.

# Keep on Zooming



Our online monthly zoom events are here to stay. You can join us online on the last Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm for talks, games and fun. If you would like to join us but are not sure how just let us know and we can help you get set up. Please let us know if you have any ideas for future events, just pop an email to emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.

# Swedish Meatballs Recipe (Ikea Style)

Shared by Sam Henry (Serves 4)

Despite their moreish flavour and unbeatable texture, the recipe for Swedish meatballs is actually quite easy to make. All you need is mince (beef and pork), along with some breadcrumbs, onion and garlic. The special sauce is made from basic ingredients like flour, milk and eggs.

#### **Ingredients**

#### For the meatballs:

- 500g mince beef
- 250g mince pork
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 1 clove of garlic, crushed or minced
- 100g breadcrumbs
- 1 egg
- 5 tablespoons of whole milk
- Salt and pepper, a generous portion

#### For the cream sauce:

- · Dash of oil
- 40g butter
- 40g plain flour
- 150ml vegetable stock
- 150ml beef stock
- 150ml thick double cream
- 2 teaspoons soy sauce
- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard



#### Method

Combine beef and pork mince and mix with your fingers to break up any lumps. Add finely chopped onion, garlic, breadcrumbs, egg and mix. Add milk and season well with salt and pepper.

Shape mixture into small, round balls. Place on a clean plate, cover and store in the fridge for two hours (this will help them hold their shape while cooking).

In a frying pan, heat oil on medium heat. When hot, gently add the meatballs and brown on all sides.

When browned, add to an ovenproof dish and cover. Place in a hot oven at 180°C and cook for a further 30 minutes.

To make the sauce, melt 40g butter in a pan. Whisk in 40g of plain flour and stir for two minutes. Add 150ml of double cream, two teaspoons of soy sauce and one

teaspoon of Dijon mustard. Bring it to simmer and allow sauce to thicken. When ready to eat, serve with your favourite potatoes - either creamy mash or mini new boiled potatoes. Enjoy! **Top tip for making Swedish meatballs** Just like the ones in-store, these meatballs freeze excellently so if you make extra, put them in zip-lock bags and store in your freezer.

### **Oddies Wanders going strong**

Now restrictions have lifted we are able to walk in larger groups and end our walks with a cuppa and chat at local cafes and pubs. We have been very lucky with the weather and have had some lovely walks this spring and summer, enjoying canals, woodlands,

parks and moors. It has been wonderful to welcome new members onto our walks, it is a nice way to get to know our members. If you would be interested in joining future walks contact emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk or telephone 07432 047213.







As this newsletter goes to print final preparations are underway for our weekend away to Scarborough at the beginning of October. After many years we have had to say goodbye to Phillip from Dewhirst Coaches because he has now retired, we send our thanks and best wishes and look forward to him and his family joining us as a guest on future trips. We are now using JAK Coaches from Crossflatts and look forward to many future trips with them.

Plans for next year's weekend away are already underway. We have provisionally

booked the Monterey Beach Hotel at Lytham St Ann's for 13th May 2022. Attractive Lytham St Anne's has long been a firm seaside holiday favourite with its miles and miles of golden sandy beaches, promenade, relaxing gardens and great shopping.

This lovely resort is only a few minutes drive from bustling Blackpool and is also ideally located for taking some fantastic excursions. If you would like to book a place or receive further information contact Emma 07432 047213 or email emma.marshall@oddfellows.co.uk.

### **Pantomime Time**

We have managed to get tickets for the pantomime Sleeping Beauty for Friday 7 January 2022 at 7.15 pm at the Alhambra. Adult tickets are £28 each for members and £33 for non-members. To book a place contact Sam Henry on 07940 025397 or email samantha. henry@oddfellows.co.uk.



# **Society News**



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# The Oddfellows Annual Movable Conference (AMC)

As much as we were all hoping for the opportunity to get together and host our 2021 AMC in person, the global pandemic had other plans and so we saw the conference held virtually over Zoom, and broadcast live via YouTube.

This is only the second time since 1944 that there hasn't been an in-person Annual Movable Conference. The AMC is usually a three-day conference which gives our network of 115 Branches a chance to have their say in the way the Society is run, celebrate its successes and developments over the past 12 months, and enjoy a catch-up with other Branches over dinner.

This year however, the Directors gathered in the Unity Office Boardroom whilst everyone else stayed at home and Deputies logged in via Zoom to listen in and make their contributions to conference.

Despite the distance between us all, the AMC was its usual hive of activity, and thanks go to all the Deputies who attended, debated and voted on the different clauses. We would also like to extend our thanks to the incredible IT team who worked tirelessly to ensure all Deputies were able to log in successfully, the conference was broadcast seamlessly, and everything ran as it should.

# Welcoming our newest Grand Master, David Ogden

One of the key elements of AMC is the installation of the new Grand Master, or Chairman of the Society. This is the most prestigious and respected roles in the Society, and requires a considerable commitment. As Grand Masters, they need to have progressed through the ceremonial side of the Society and usually will have served for at least four years as a Director, before being nominated to be Grand Master.

Our Immediate Past Grand Master, David Randall, spent two years in the role, instead of the usual one, due to the coronavirus pandemic, and has this year welcomed his successor, David Ogden. Despite there being no live audience, the ceremony featuring his installation as Grand

Master was streamed on YouTube.

The Society would like to thank David Randall for his hard work during his time as Grand Master, and wish David Ogden all the best for his term. Keep an eye out for our interview with the new Grand Master in the next edition of Society News!

### Congratulations to our Making a Difference Award winners!



Each year, we recognise and celebrate the efforts of members who have gone above and beyond for their local Branch, fellow members, and the Society as a whole. Without these individuals (and there are many!), the Oddfellows wouldn't be the warm and welcoming organisation it is today.

This year, faced with a global pandemic and numerous lockdowns which left many members isolated, the kindness and dedication of our Making a Difference Award nominees truly shone through. Our judges were blown away by the way Oddfellows communities rallied together to help each other through such a difficult year, and so choosing the winners was more difficult than ever. Without further ado, our 2021 Making a Difference Award winners are...

### Wendy Atkins, from Ipswich **Oddfellows, for Working in** the spirit of mutuality

Wendy said: "It was a big surprise and I feel honoured to have won. I've done all sorts for the Ipswich Oddfellows over the years, but I enjoy my role as social organiser most of all. Since we've started running online events. I've had to think outside the box and see how our in-person events can translate onto Zoom, which has been a fun challenge.



Wendy, from Ipswich Oddfellows

I've extended the hand of friendship to other Branches to offer help and support with their online meetings."



Paul, from South London Oddfellows

### Paul Fitton, from South **London Oddfellows, for Enriching lives socially**

Paul said: "It was a lovely surprise when I found out I'd won. Organising social events for my local group is more than just a job for me, it's fun and fulfilling. Helping people meet and make new friends in the area is wonderful."

### Janice Tomlin, from Reading Oddfellows, for Giving a helping hand

Janice said: "I had no idea I'd even been nominated, so it was a shock when I was told I'd won the award, but I was incredibly pleased! I know how it feels to be on your own a lot, so being a listening ear for other members during such a difficult year has been a tonic for me as well, in many ways."



Janice, from Reading Oddfellows

Jane Nelson, CEO of the Oddfellows, says: "Our members are at the heart of everything we do as a Society, and it's people like Paul, Wendy and Janice who keep the wheels turning.

"As much-loved members of their local Branches and the Society as a whole, these Awards are truly well-deserved."

# Working together to Make a Difference for 2022

We are excited to introduce a new 'Achieving Together' category for our Making a Difference Awards.

Members nominated for the Achieving Together Award should be a team of two, and could be married, partners, family relations, or good friends who collaborate with, and support each other, to achieve more than they could alone.



### Have your say!

If you know a Society star who goes above and beyond, or a duo whose combined efforts make your Branch a warm and welcoming place for all, download a Member Nomination form from www.oddfellows. co.uk/makingadifference, or contact your Branch Secretary to have a form sent to you.

# Face-to-face get-togethers are back, but online events are here to stay

Many members have been missing that wonderful feeling of seeing and socialising with friends in a group setting, and we're pleased to let you know that our Branches have restarted their face-to-face events, or are getting ready to restart them again very soon.

So whether you're feeling up to a walk in the great outdoors, or you're keen to get back to your local coffee morning, our Branches are beavering away behind the scenes to make sure their events are COVID-secure, and our members are safe.

Not feeling up to getting together yet? That's fine too. Lots of people will still feel anxious about mixing with groups indoors or outdoors, and we know it will take a while for things to feel "normal" again. But we don't want you to miss out, which is why our online events are here to stay.





From local guest talks streamed live from your Branch, to our weekly national coffee mornings, online events will continue for as long as our members would like them to.

Help is available to get you set up to access the online events, should you need it. Call our membership team on **0800 028 1810**, or email **events@oddfellows.co.uk** to receive a how-to guide for using Zoom video conferencing.

If you'd like to join in with one of our events, in-person or online, find out what's coming up by visiting our website: **www.oddfellows.co.uk/events** or speak to your local Branch Secretary to request a local events diary.



None of us know what is around the corner...

### **Local Care and Welfare Support**

To request contact from a Welfare Visitor and for local help and information about Branch benefits and benevolence contact Lisa on **07983 496831** or email lisa.waugh@oddfellows.co.uk

### Oddfellows Citizens Advice Line Call 0800 0149 821\*

(free to callers from any landline or mobile number) Monday - Friday, 9.30am - 4.30pm **Email:** oddfellows@manchestercab.org



Run by Citizens Advice for Oddfellows members, you can access free, confidential, independent advice on welfare benefits, money and debt issues, consumer problems, housing, fuel bills, employment issues and many other issues.

\*The Oddfellows cannot provide legal advice and accepts no liability whatsoever for advice provided by Citizens Advice, which is an independent advice agency. If you have any queries about the advice you have received or wish to make a complaint then you should contact Citizens Advice directly. Citizens Advice operate a formal complaints process.

### Care and Welfare Helpline Call 0800 0149 822

(free to callers from any landline or mobile number) Monday to Thursday, 9.30am - 4.30pm, Friday, 9.30am - 4pm

Email: care@oddfellows.co.uk

Run by the Oddfellows Care and Welfare Department, you can access information and guidance on issues such as accessing health and care services, supported housing, support for carers, and planning for later life. The helpline will try and identify any Oddfellows benefits or services in the community which may be of help to you.

Visit our website page at www.oddfellows.co.uk/benefits/care for care and welfare information

### Make friends, smile more often



Looking to make friends and meet new people – backed with a great range of benefits? Then find out more about the Oddfellows. With a warm welcome guaranteed, and a calendar of events at your local Oddfellows Branch, how much you get involved is up to you.

Join the Oddfellows for as little as £25 a year, or add extra benefits for £35 a year.\*

#### £25 a year membership\* gives you access to...

- Local social events
- Care & Welfare Helpline
- Oddfellows Travel
- Oddfellows news by email
- Branch Care & Welfare Support
- Oddfellows Citizens Advice Line
- Money saving partner offers
- Benevolence Grants

- Emergency Financial Aid (Household)
- Convalescence & Carer Support (after 2 years' membership)
- Accidental Death Benefit
- Legal Aid Scheme
- Educational & Apprenticeship Awards
- 24/7 access to our historical online archive

#### £35 a year membership\* with the additional benefits of...

- Optical benefit of up to £30 every second year of membership (after 1 year's membership)
- Dental benefit of up to £30 every membership year (after 1 year's membership)

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For more information or to join, call freephone **0800 028 1810**. 9am-5pm Mon to Thurs, 9am-4pm Fri, or visit www.oddfellows.co.uk/benefits.

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